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1. REF [] ON OUTLOOK FOR LOWER HOUSE ELECTIONS

WAS USEFUL DOCUMENT THAT READS COMMENDABLY WELL AFTER THE
EVENT. CHECK OF ITS PREDICTIONS OR ESTIMATES AGAINST ACTUAL
REPORTED RESULTS SHOWS THAT WITH EXCEPTION OF RATHER SUR-
PRISINGLY HIGH VOTER TURNOUT, STATION ACCURATELY FORECAST
ALL MAJOR TRENDS AND CAME REASONABLY CLOSE TO ESTIMATING
ACTUAL DETAILED OUTCOME. WE HAVE DONE A MORE DETAILED SET
OF COMMENTS ON ELECTION COVERAGE THAT WILL BE RELAYED BY
TELEPOUCH. SINCE MUCH WORK BY MANY PEOPLE CLEARLY WENT INTO
ANALYSIS RELAYED IN REF, PLEASE PASS ON TO ALL INVOLVED OUR
APPRECIATION OF A JOB WELL DONE.

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2. ACCURACY OF STATION COVERAGE, INCLUDING CRITICAL ELEMENT OF QUOTE FEEL UNQUOTE, WAS PARTICULARLY GRATIFYING IN LIGHT OF CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES. AS YOU DOUBTLESS RECOGNIZE EVEN BETTER X THAN WE, SOUTH VIETNAM NOW ENTERING RUFFLED POLITICAL WATERS THAT HAVE POTENTIAL OF BECOMING VERY TURBULENT. IN DAYS AND WEEKS AHEAD IT WILL BE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO STAY ON TOP OF DEVELOPMENTS AND TO SPOT MAJOR CHARGES THAT ARE BREWING BEFORE THEY OCCUR. COMPLEXITIES ALREADY INHERENT IN SITUATION WILL INEVITABLY BE COMPOUNDED BY RUMORS, CHARGED EMOTIONS AND AXE GRINDING OF ALL TYPES. WE LOOK TO YOU TO CALL SHOTS AS THEY ARE (NOT AS ANYONE MIGHT WISH THEM TO BE) AND KEEP AS CURRENT ON EVENTS AS THEY ACTUALLY EVOLVE OR (IF THEY DO) BEGIN TO BREAK IN NEW DIRECTIONS.

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